REMARKS

The claim has been amended to delete multiple dependencies.

The above amendments are submitted to place this application in proper U.S. format. Entry of the amendment and an early action on the merits are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appendix A

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made to the Claim

The following are marked up versions of amended claim 7:

- 1 7. (Amended) A secondary station as claimed in claim 5 [or 6],
- 2 characterised in that use of any one of the plurality of available
- 3 time offsets results in the transmission of the preamble in advance
- 4 of the time at which it would be transmitted without the offset.